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In re Application of

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For **SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHODS**H2A
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initiating the Examination of the above-described continuation application, Applicants herewith submit the following Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 1 and add the following claim:

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- 1 2. A method of gathering information on the use of a control signal at a
- 2 receiver station, said receiver station having a plurality of inputs, a processor, and a
- 3 controlled device, said receiver station transferring said gathered information to a
- AI 4 remote station, said method comprising the steps of:
- cont 5 identifying a control signal;
- 6 searching for said control signal identified in said step of identifying in an input
- 7 data stream;